

Lorna Baird RFA

Date: 20th November 2015 @ 0915

Examiner: Legget

Duration: 40 minutes

Result: Pass

The MCA building is easy to find (park at the seafront and not the car park at MCA building!).

Legget was approachable, made me feel at ease and asked straight forward questions. He spent some time looking through my workbooks and TRB and I got the impression that by seeing I had put in the effort on board ship, this perhaps allowed for a more lenient approach in the oral exam. Have tried to remember as many questions as I can, the order may not be correct. The questions below summarise the different areas he covered, some he went into in more detail than others and he was keen to relate my answers back to ships I have been on.

General:

Familiarisation on first joining ship

How to familiarise yourself with the ships SMS

Handing over the watch

Seafarers Employment agreement and MLC

Sextant errors and how to take a sight

Pre-departure checks (looked at pre-departure checks in my workbook and asked some specific checks regarding my last ship)

Keeping a cargo watch

Anchor plan and how to let go the anchor

Risk assessments very briefly

Actions on hearing the general alarm when on watch

How to launch a lifeboat

What to do when in charge of the fire team

Passage planning on a paper chart (didn't ask for required publications)

RoR

PDV crossing from starboard

Head on situation

Narrow channel and sailing vessel crossing from port

Narrow channel and sailing vessel crossing from starboard

Open sea and sailing vessel crossing

Gave me cardinal marks and gave me my heading and asked for my actions

Lights for a vessel aground and asked for actions

RAM crossing from port

Asked me a few rules as well: 5, 7, 8, 18

Thank you to everyone who has helped in the last few weeks! And good luck to everyone still to go.